Citizens may comment on a permit regarding a landfill in Henrico County, Virginia

PUBLIC COMMENT PERIOD: SUNDAY, MAY 3, 2009 THROUGH WEDNESDAY JUNE 17, 2009.

PUBLIC HEARING: Henrico County Eastern Government Center – Community Room located at 3820 Nine Mile Road, at 7:00 p.m. on Tuesday, June 2, 2009.

PERMIT NAME AND NUMBER: Old Dominion Sanitary Landfill and Resource Management Facility, Solid Waste Landfill Permit Number 553

Any owner or operator of a sanitary landfill; construction, demolition and debris landfill; or a public or private industrial landfill must submit an application for this permit to the Department of Environmental Quality.

PURPOSE OF NOTICE: To invite the public to comment on the draft permit and announce a public hearing.

PERMIT APPLICANT: BFI Waste Systems of Virginia, LLC

PROJECT DESCRIPTION: BFI Waste Systems of Virginia, LLC, has applied for a modification to a permit that allows the lateral expansion of the landfill by increasing the footprint of the landfill by 27.1 acres. This increase in footprint will add 5,100,000 cubic yards of airspace, which will increase the total capacity to 19,464,000 cubic yards. The additional capacity is estimated to allow operation in this area through November 2012.

VARIANCE PETITION: The landfill, as part of the process of establishing groundwater protection standards (GPS), has asked the DEQ for a variance to use risk-based alternate concentration limits (ACLs) as GPS for constituents which lack a Federal Safe Drinking Water Act maximum contaminant limits (MCLs) or site-specific background data. All solid waste landfills which have impacted groundwater above background levels are required to establish site-specific GPS and the facility has requested to use the DEQ-accepted default ACLs which are based on EPA toxicity/health risk data. These ACLs have been found to meet the requirements of the Virginia Solid Waste Management Regulations (VSWMR). As a condition of variance approval, the facility will accept any changes to their ACL-based GPS if revised ACLs are issued by DEQ as a result of updates in toxicity or health risk data.

FACILITY NAME AND LOCATION: The Old Dominion Sanitary Landfill and Resource Management Facility is located in eastern Henrico County, Virginia, on Charles City Road, approximately one half mile south of U.S. Route 60. An asphalt-paved road from Charles City Road accesses the site.

HOW A DECISION IS MADE: After public comments have been considered and the permit appropriately modified, DEQ will make the final decision.

HOW TO COMMENT: DEQ accepts comments by e-mail, fax or postal mail. All comments must include the name, address and telephone number of the person commenting and be received by DEQ within the comment period. DEQ also accepts written and oral comments at public hearings.

TO REVIEW THE DRAFT PERMIT AND APPLICATION: The public may review the draft permit at the DEQ Piedmont Regional Office located at the address referenced below every work day by appointment. A copy of the draft permit is also available at the reference desk at the Fairfield Public Library located at 1001 N. Laburnum Ave., Henrico, VA 23223.

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